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## FRONTIER WAR.

### BRITISH ATTACK IN FORCE. SHARP FIGHTING. OFFICIAL LIST OF CASUALTIES.

Fighting on the Indian frontier has begun in earnest, and apparently it has been somewhat severe. A Reuter telegram from Simla, dated Friday, says:—

A message has been received from Gen. Sir James Willcocks stating that the enemy threatened to cut his lines of communication, and that he therefore attacked them, comprising all the available troops. He drove the enemy from their lairs.

The British casualties numbered 60.

The enemy's loss is not reported.

### The British Casualties.

In a telegram received at the India Office yesterday, the following complete return of casualties on April 24 is reported by the Government of India:—

Searfth Highlanders.—Lieut. Clive Gray, dangerously wounded; No. 9145 Pte. Bain Alexander, B Co., wounded severely.

Northumberland Fusiliers.—Killed: No. 893 Pte. H. J. Rose, and 9513 Pte. F. Morris. Wounded severely: Capt. C. W. Wreford-Brown, and No. 7805 Pte. Wm. Dewse. Wounded slightly: 5199 Col. Sgt. Albert Pearce, and 9275 Serg. Wm. Blades.

Royal Warwickshire.—Dangerously wounded: Lieut. G. D. Martin, Second-Lieut. A. L. Hume-Spry, and 332 Lieut. Col. Walter Moore. Wounded severely: 426 Pte. Bert Wyncup, 6731 Pte. Edward Gould, 316 Pte. John Gurney, 9101 Pte. Harry Lloyd, 11 Pte. Henry Nixon, 34 Pte. George West, and 832 Pte. Albert Stone. Wounded slightly: 27 Pte.

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obstacle to the operations. The Earl of Minto and Lord Kitchener have arrived here.—Reuter.

The Mohmand Forces.

Reuter's Agency is informed that official information has been received of the same character as that telegraphed to the Press from India, regarding the position of the Mohmands. From a military source, in close touch with the Indian frontier, Reuter's Agency is informed that if they so desire the Mohmands can assemble about 10,000 men. Among frontier tribes they are not held in high repute as fighters, and are not to be compared in this respect with the Zaka Khels. The Mohmand capital of Lalpura, on the north of the Kabul River, is about 30 miles from Peshawar, and eight miles from Lundi Kotal. It is a large but unfortified village.

fanaticism spreading.

According to the latest accounts fanaticism is spreading from the Mohmands and Afghans hitherto concerned to the neighbouring tribes. The Mohmands gathering already numbers probably close on 12,000 men, and now comes the latest and most serious feature of the situation—namely, a report that the Afghan Mullah, with several thousand Afghans, has crossed the Kabul River at Daska to join the Mohmands. No effort is apparently being made by the Afghan officials to stop the Afghan Mullah, and even supposing that the Afghans are now anxious to prevent further complications, he is likely to find great difficulty in asserting his authority, as the Mullahs have excited popular feeling, which is more easily roused than laid.

IN A RAILWAY TRAIN.

GIRL'S CURIOUS STORY OF ALLEGED ASSAULT.

Beatrice Lamb, a girl from Durham, a housekeeper at Featherstone for two months past, charged Rd. Atkinson, a Featherstone miner, at Pontefract yesterday with indecent assault.—Prosecutors said that when travelling home from Pontefract Market late the previous Saturday evening four men held her in the

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THE STORMS IN AMERICA.

New York, Saturday.—A severe storm, which has been raging since last night, has caused much damage in the North-East, and has also caused much damage in the South-East.

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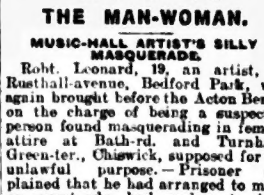
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## REJECTED!

## WINSTON CHURCHILL'S DEFEAT.

## "THE FLOWING TIDE."

Both yesterday and on Friday night there were rejoicings throughout the Empire at the defeat of Mr. Winston Churchill at N.W. Manchester. Even Radical optimists acknowledged that the great citadel of Free Trade had fallen, and the new President of the Board of Trade, like Japheth in search of a father, must needs go in quest of a constituency which, by making him a member of Parliament, would enable him to take his seat in the House of Commons side by side with his colleagues on the Treasury Bench, the poll—after one of the most exciting contests of modern times—was declared to be as follows:—

Mr. Joynton-Hicks (U.).....5,417  
Mr. Winston Churchill (R.).....4,088  
Mr. Dan Irving (Sec.).....276

Unionist maj. .... 429  
Unionist gain.

At the General Election the figures were:—  
Mr. W. S. Churchill (R.).....5,639  
Mr. Joynton-Hicks (U.).....4,398

Radical majority ..... 1,241

It will be noted that the Unionist vote has increased by 1,019, while the Radical poll, despite or perhaps in consequence of—Mr. Lloyd-George's advocacy, has decreased by 651. The votes cast for the Socialists, even if added to the Radical poll, would not have altered the result. Out of an electorate of 11,314, 10,681 persons voted, or 93.7 per cent. At the general election, 10,037 out of 11,411 voted, or 87.9 per cent.

## A Pretty Incident.

There was quite a pretty incident in the room in which the votes were being counted. Mr. Joynton-Hicks and Mr. Churchill arrived there almost simultaneously. The President of the Board of Trade was accompanied by his mother. The moment he entered he was informed that he had lost. He took the news quite philosophically. He had apparently been prepared for it, and advancing to Mr. Joynton-Hicks he shook him by the hand, and said: "I congratulate you on your success. You have fought this fight most fairly." "You are a real brick to say so," it is only what I expected of you," replied the new member for North-West Manchester as he returned the friendly



MR. JOYNTON-HICKS, M.P.  
(Photo, Russell and Son.)

pressure. Afterwards both candidates addressed their supporters. Mr. Winston Churchill was obviously distressed at being rejected, while Mr. Joynton-Hicks was naturally much elated. The latter speaking at the Conservative Club, said, "I take to Mr. Balfour the first fruit of that triumph, and I shall look forward to the time when not Manchester and Salford only, but the surrounding districts also, will entirely return to their Unionist allegiance."

## The New Member.

Mr. W. Joynton-Hicks, the new member, is an experienced Parliamentary campaigner. In 1902, when he was 36 years of age, he fought N. Manchester against Sir (then Mr.) C. E. Schwann, and was only defeated by 28 votes. In 1906 he pitted himself against Mr. Churchill for the first time, and was defeated by no fewer than 1,241 votes. He has now, in the same constituency, converted a huge adverse vote into a splendid majority. On the platform he is a fluent speaker, and effective in dealing with the heckler. Mr. Joynton-Hicks resides in Bryansdon-square, W., and is a well-known City solicitor. He has the reputation of being an eloquent speaker, and is, by the way, president of the Motor Union of Great Britain.

## "THE FLOWING TIDE."

Since the return of the Radical Government there have been 29 elections, beginning with the City of London and ending now with N.W. Manchester. Among the most striking of these results may be mentioned the Unionist majorities at

| Constituency.        | Majority. |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Mid-Devon .....      | 559       |
| South Hereford ..... | 1,019     |
| Worcester .....      | 1,292     |
| Hastings .....       | 1,018     |
| Peckham .....        | 2,494     |

Altogether the Unionists have now won six seats from the Radical party since the General Election. They are:

|                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| Cockermouth.     | South Hereford.  |
| Brigg (Lincoln). | Peckham.         |
| Mid-Devon.       | N.W. Manchester. |

## DEWSBURY RESULT.

## RADICAL MAJORITY GREATLY REDUCED.

Polling to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Walter Runciman (R.) on his appointment as President of the Board of Education, resulted as follows:—

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Mr. W. Runciman (R.).....    | 5,594 |
| Mr. Boyd-Carpenter (U.)..... | 4,078 |
| Mr. Ben Turner (Sec.).....   | 2,446 |

Radical majority.....1,516  
No change.

## At the General Election the figures were:—

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Mr. W. Runciman (R.).....    | 6,764 |
| Mr. Boyd-Carpenter (U.)..... | 2,959 |
| Mr. Ben Turner (Sec.).....   | 2,629 |

Radical majority ..... 3,805

From the outset, faced with an adverse majority of 3,805 at the General Election, the Unionists could only hope to reduce substantially the Radical advantage. In this task, thanks to the excellent fight made by Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, they have been eminently successful, for Mr. Runciman's majority has fallen almost 60 per cent. Altogether 12,118 votes were polled out of an electorate of 14,654, showing a falling off of nearly 230 compared with the General Election. Now the transfer of votes has been effected will be seen from the following contrast:—

|                               |       |
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| Reduced Radical vote .....    | 1,170 |
| Increased Unionist vote ..... | 1,124 |
| Reduced Labour vote .....     | 183   |

In other words, Mr. Runciman has lost over 16 per cent. of his previous poll, and Mr. Boyd-Carpenter has increased his figures by over 37 per cent.

## SHEFFIELD RESULT.

Mr. J. Fitzalan Hope (U.) was returned unopposed in place of the late Sir Howard Vincent, whose majority at the last election was 927.

The new member unsuccessfully contested the Eiland Division of Yorkshire in 1892, Pontefract in 1895, and the Brightside Division of Sheffield in 1897. At the General Election of 1900, he was returned for the Brightside Division, but lost his seat at the last General Election.

## EAST WOLVERHAMPTON.

Vacancy caused by the elevation of Sir Henry Fowler (R.) to the Peerage.

The candidates are:—

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| Mr. L. S. Amery.....(U.)  |  |
| Mr. G. R. Thomas.....(R.) |  |

Both parties are active, and the Unionist candidate is making good progress, despite the big majority against him. At the General Election the figures were:—Fowler (R.), 5,610; Amery (U.), 2,745. R. majority, 2,865.

## MONTROSE BURGHS.

Vacancy caused by the elevation of Mr. John Morley (R.) to the Peerage.

The candidates are:—

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| Mr. A. M. B. Constable.....(U.) |  |
| Mr. R. V. Macdonald.....(R.)    |  |

Mr. Macdonald is a son of the late Sir Wm. Harcourt, and was recently badly defeated at Hastings. Mr. Joseph Burgess was for many years a textile worker. He unsuccessfully contested the Camachie Division of Glasgow at the General Election, and is now engaged in newspaper work in Bradford. At the General Election the Radical majority was 2,494.

## DUNDEE.

Vacancy caused by elevation of Mr. E. Robertson (R.) to the Peerage.

The Unionist candidate is Sir G. W. Baxter, who unsuccessfully contested Montrose Burgths in 1895. The Labour party have selected Mr. G. H. Stuart, Parliamentary secretary of the Postmen's Federation. Radicals have approached Mr. Winston Churchill, the rejected of N.W. Manchester. Figures at the General Election:—Robertson (R.), 8,276; Wilkie (Lab.), 6,693; Robertson (R.), 6,122; Shackleton (U.), 3,855; Smith (U.), 3,185.

## STIRLING BURGHS.

Sir H. Campbell - Bannerman's death causes a vacancy in this constituency, which the ex-Premier represented continuously since 1869.

Sir Henry was unopposed at the General Election. The seat was contested in 1900, when his majority was only 630 over Col. Duke. The Unionists have had a candidate for some time in Mr. W. Whitelaw, who formerly sat for Perth City, and who unsuccessfully contested Banffshire at the last election. The Radicals have at present no candidate.

## ROYAL TOURNAMENT.

## THIS YEAR'S ENTRIES FOR OLYMPIA.

The entries already received for this year's Royal Naval and Military Tournament, which is to be held at Olympia from May 21 to June 6, are well above the average number, and show a good increase over those of last year, especially as regards officers who do not have to qualify in the preliminary tournaments. The increase seems to be due to the growing keenness in both services for distinction at the tournament, at which prizes to a total value of over £1,500 are distributed annually in the form of challenge cups, medals, cups, whips, and sums of money. The successful Army competitors represent the pick of eight "command tournaments," viz., the Scottish, Irish, Northern, Southern, Eastern, Western, Aldershot, and London (district), while the Naval entries are those who have survived a similar elimination process in "divisional tournaments" at Chatham, Devonport, and Portsmouth.

## TERRITORIALS TO THE FORE.

Without exception, all the preliminary tournaments this year have been most successful, and the full number of entries allowed by the regulations has been received from each. It is also interesting to note that the change recently made in the status of the volunteer forces has not in any way affected the number of entries for events which are confined solely to the auxiliaries, or in which the auxiliaries are allowed to compete with the regulars. In fact, unofficial information received from the office of the Royal Naval and Military Tournament, goes to show that the number of Territorials who have been enrolled in some of the principal corps is so far most gratifying, as they have taken the oath almost to a man. So far as the Territorials in the London district are concerned, the eliminating competitions have been held as in former years under the direction of the Metropolitan Volunteer Schools of Arms Association. The yeomanry generally have taken part in the various "command tournaments."

## COURAGEOUS WOMAN.

At Bradwell, Derbyshire, a woman at the pursuit of a man who was alleged to have committed an offence. After crossing a number of fields the man plunged into the River Bradwell and the woman pluckily followed. At this stage a constable arrived and captured the fugitive.

## THE LAW COURTS.

## REOPENING TO TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY.

The Law Courts reopen on Tuesday for the Easter sittings. The term will end on June 5. The total number of cases set down for hearing is exactly the same as in the Hilary sittings—namely, 1,439, but the appeals number only 130, compared with 152 in last sittings. There are 479 King's Bench actions, as against 527 last term. There is an increase in the cases to be determined in the Chancery Division, the total being 326, against 276. In the Companies (Winding-up) Court there is a further decrease in the total of matters for hearing, the number being 19, whereas last term they totalled 32. There are only 12 petitions for winding-up companies. Mr. Justice Swinfen Eady and Mr. Justice Neville will take company winding-up business.

## Twenty Libel Actions.

There are few cases of outstanding interest in the Chancery list. Among these set down for trial are the British South Africa Co. v. De Beers Consolidated Mines (Ltd.), the Mashonaland Rly. Co. (Ltd.) v. the Beira Rly. Co. (Ltd.), Price Patent Candle Co. v. London County Council, Osborne v. Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, Viscount Cobham v. Staffordshire County Council, and the Westminster Corporation v. the Rector and Churchwardens of St. George's (Hanover-square). In the King's Bench list there are 20 libel

## AT THE GRAVE SIDE.

## DRAMATIC SEQUEL TO A DROWNING MYSTERY.

There was a remarkable sequel at Sunderland to the finding of the body of a woman on Roker Sands, near Sunderland last week. The body, which was that of a well-dressed and refined-looking woman, was found by two unemployed labourers, who summoned the police. There was nothing on it to give any clue to its identity, and at the inquest a verdict of Found Drowned was returned. The body was viewed by several people, but was not identified, and the funeral was fixed for one afternoon this week. The coffin was just about to be lowered into the grave when a man named Forrest appeared and said he thought he could identify the body.

## Coffin Opened.

The coffin was taken back to the mortuary and opened, and Mr. Forrest identified the body as that of Miss Nellie Plews, 43 years old, the daughter of a boot manufacturer of Middlesbrough. Mr. Forrest said that Miss Plews left her home some time ago to visit friends at the village of Boldon, near Sunderland, and that she left Boldon a month ago to pay another visit. Mr. Forrest heard no more from her, but when he read the report of the inquest and the description of the body he thought the description answered that of Miss Plews. He declared that after Miss Plews left Boldon her father told him that he had received a letter from his daughter

## "OCEAN COLLEGES."

## A STORY OF ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

Details of the alleged fraudulent scheme named "Ocean Colleges, Ltd.," were given at Thames Police Court when the managing director, Juba Kennerley, aged 62; the secretary, Robt. Ogilvie, aged 35; and a shipping inquiry agent, Humphrey Edwards, aged 29, were charged on remand with conspiring to defraud, and with obtaining money by false pretences. Kennerley, an ex-captain, was defended by Mr. W. Dalziel Fisher, and Edwards by Mr. Pierson. Mr. W. Lewis, who conducted the prosecution on behalf of the Treasury, explained the origin of the "Ocean Colleges." Kennerley, he said, took office in Upper East Smithfield, overlooking St. Katharine's Dock, where he carried on the "Ocean College Cruises in Summer Seas."

## Many Advertisements.

Edwards traded as H. B. Edwards, shipping agent, St. Albans-avenue, Chiswick, and inserted advertisements broadcast, of which the following was a specimen:—

Ocean Liners.—If you want to become steward, storekeeper, carpenter, hairdresser, cook, butcher, baker, stoker, etc., now is the opportunity.

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Through one of these advertisements Kennerley and Edwards became ac-

## SCENE ON A TUBE.

## YOUTH'S DARING ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

Perceval Pitt, 17, an apprentice of Rutland gardens, Harringay, was charged on remand before Mr. Fordham, at North London, with attempting to commit suicide by jumping in front of an electric train at the Finsbury Park Station of the Piccadilly and Brompton Rly.—When the case was before the Court on the 13th it was stated that the prisoner jumped on to the track and laid down between the rails. A porter sprang down after him, and seeing this the driver of the train, which was just entering the station, pulled up. Neither the prisoner nor the porter was hurt. The prisoner's mother then said that he worked very long hours at a West-End hotel, that a new chef had worked him and stopped his fortnightly half-holiday, and that having taken "French leave," he was going back, when he made the alleged attempt on his life.

## Wasted His Time.

Det. Edwards now said that he had ascertained that the prisoner worked reasonable hours at the hotel, and that of late he had been strange in his manner. He could have been home much earlier than he was, but he wasted his time hanging about the hotel. Shortly before the accused made this attempt on his life a mysterious fire occurred at the hotel, and the prisoner was strongly suspected of having caused it. Mr. Fordham asked the prisoner how he now felt in health, and he replied that he was considerably better. The magistrate went on to say that he had received a very kind report from the doctor at the gaol, who was of opinion that the lad's mind was still sound, but that he was depressed, emotional, and irritable, and he went on to give the reason.

## A Narrow Escape.

Prisoner's mother again went into the witness-box, and repeated her version as to the long hours and the new chef.—Mr. Fordham: It is not that. Put on your glasses, and read the doctor's report for yourself. Mrs. Pitt did so, and said she understood perfectly.—Mr. Fordham: You see it is a very narrow escape of the lunatic asylum, and the doctor seems to think that if he had your son under his care for a little longer he might cure him altogether. I think I ought to remand him again.—Mrs. Pitt (quietly): I think it would be for the best if Mr. Fordham: Yes, I wish to do the best I can for your boy, and if I get a more favourable report next week, I may be able to deal with him without sending the case for trial.—Remanded.

## THE VETERANS' FETE.

## FORTHCOMING GREAT EVENT AT CHELSEA.

A great fete in aid of the Veterans' Relief Fund has been arranged to take place in the grounds of Chelsea Hospital on July 7, 8, and 9. It will be known as the "Fete of the Veterans," and will be the most important event of its kind in the London season. Mr. J. Lyons has offered to be director-general of the fete. His programme is designed upon a lavish scale, for by day there will be a continuous round of entertainments, while at night there will be produced a vision of old Ranelagh Gardens in the days of the early Regency. The grounds of Chelsea Hospital are on the site of the old Ranelagh Gardens. For the purposes of the fete, Mr. J. S. Wood will arrange a large sale of work on lines similar to those he adopted in 1901, when £20,000 was raised for the widows and orphans of those who fell during the South African war. At the sale each county will be represented, and the reception already given to Mr. Wood's invitations to help ensures that that part of the scheme will be a success.

## ASYLUM INCIDENT.

## STRANGE DEATH OF AN AGED INMATE.

An inquest was held at Tooting Bee Asylum on an inmate named Alf. Joseph Gullum, 73, who died under peculiar circumstances. Ernest A. N. Gullum, a musician, residing at Old Charlton, Kent, said deceased was his father, and had been an inmate of the asylum since January, 1906.—Hy. Greig, an attendant at the asylum, said deceased on March 1 was in the act of rising from a wicker chair in which he had been sitting, when he fell backwards and in trying to save himself with his left hand he fell on the floor. He was picked up and the doctor sent for, when it was found that the bone of the left thigh was fractured.—Dr. Turnbull, assistant medical officer at the asylum, said deceased was deeply debilitated and physically very feeble. He suffered slightly from heart disease, which resulted in occasional fainting fits. After his leg was broken deceased progressed satisfactorily for a time, when he gradually became weaker and died.—In reply to the coroner, witness said he thought death was accelerated in a slight degree by the accident. The thigh-bone was very fragile, and a slight fall would be sufficient to break it.

## DIFFICULT TO DRINK.

Dr. Freyberger, who made the post-mortem, said the immediate cause of death was heart failure, accelerated by acute inflammation of the lungs. The primary cause of death was fracture of the thigh-bone, but witness was of opinion that the act of deceased in trying to save himself when falling caused the bone to snap.—The coroner said the circumstances were rather unusual. The worst accident was one that was difficult to define, but he took it to mean when some external force was applied. If in this case they accepted Dr. Freyberger's opinion that there was no determining force, but that deceased's leg snapped when he was in the act of trying to save himself from falling, the jury would be quite justified in bringing in a verdict of death from natural causes. The point of whether death was due to accident or natural causes was of more academic importance than anything else, as it was perfectly clear that no blame attached to anyone connected with the asylum.—Verdict, death from natural causes.

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## actions, but only two breach of promise cases.

In the Divorce Court the judges will be called upon to deal with a total of 310 cases, compared with 284 in the Hilary sittings, and of these 221 are in the undefended list. Last term the undefended cases numbered 158. There will be no special jury divorce trials next term.

## THE IMPERIAL MOUSTACHE.

A curious explanation is given for the change in the German Emperor's manner of wearing his moustaches, which are no longer turned up almost at right angles towards the eyes, but end in a shorter and more gradual ascending curve. It is said that one day, while lighting a cigarette, his Majesty had the misfortune to singe away half of one of the upturned points, and this, of course, necessitated the trimming of the other to match and a temporary alteration of style. The involuntary change met with the approval of the Empress, and the monarch thereupon decided to adopt it definitely for the future. One of the first portraits of his Majesty in which the new mode is apparent is that which has been painted for presentation to Oxford University.

## M.P.'S WHO HAVE TAKEN TO DRINK.

Speaking at Scarborough, Mr. J. E. Ellis, M.P., said he had associated with several thousand men in Parliament during the 25 years he had been a member, and it was sad to think of those—some of them men of high qualities—who had fallen victims to the terrible drink evil. Careers had been blighted by it, and there were even at the present moment in the Houses of Parliament men who were in danger—and knew they were in danger—of falling from that evil.

## sent from Shields. Miss Plews' father was sent for, and the inquest will probably be reopened.

## A LONG EXILE.

## SIR ROBERT HART ON HIS WAY HOME.

Sir Robert Hart, ex-Inspector-General of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, has left Peking. He had a magnificent send-off. All the high metropolitan officials and leading foreign residents, including the members of the Diplomatic Body, were assembled at the station, and guards of honour, consisting of two Chinese detachments, the 2nd Battalion of the Camerons, and detachments from the Italian, Dutch, and Japanese Legation Guards, were drawn up on the platform. Sir Robert Hart bade farewell in person to everyone. As the train left the station the British and Chinese National Anthems were played. Sir R. Hart is 73 years of age, and has been continuously in China since 1859 with only two home visits. He has not met his assembled family for more than a quarter of a century, although a few of his relatives, including Lady Hart, have been able to visit him in Peking. Sir Robert has been Inspector-General since 1893, and has received the highest possible Chinese honours. Sir Robert Bredon, a student of his methods, succeeds him.

## MR. GINNELL RELEASED.

Justice Ross, the Irish law judge, has ordered the release from Kilmainham Gaol of Mr. Laurence Ginnell, M.P., who was imprisoned for six months last December for contempt of court, the allegation being that he incited to cattle-driving on an estate under the court. Mr. Ginnell's release was made on the ground of a breakdown in health.

## Mr. A. Bonar Law, M.P., will speak at Askerly on Wednesday next.

## quoted, and after an interview on Jan. 30 Kennerley promised to pay Edwards 5 per cent. for introductions.

In the prospectus which was issued the object of the company was set forth as being the purchase of a first-class sailing ship of 3,000 tons, to be named Ocean College No. 1. The vessel, it was stated, would carry 150 cadets, the cruise would last 12 months, and it would visit Gibraltar, the Canary Islands, Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Rio de Janeiro, Cape Town, and Durban.

## Numerous Applicants.

Kennerley was assisted by Ogilvie in the interviewing of applicants after an office had been taken at Charing Cross. Mr. Heile, one of the applicants, paid £20 to secure a berth as third steward on Ocean College No. 1. Mr. Palmer paid £20 for a berth as fourth steward on the Hunnersley. Mr. Wilson paid £20 for storekeeper on the Andorra.

## The Great Northern Co. announce important additions to their train service for the next month.

The Royal Hibernal Military School Old Boys' Association, of which Earl Roberts and Viscount Wolseley are patrons, will hold its 14th annual dinner at the Holborn Restaurant on May 16.







### COMMENTS BY NOTABLE PASSENGERS.

The sad point about stage-coaching is that it had reached its prime when it was hit a staggering blow by the arrival of the railways. Macadam's improvement of the road began at Farn in England was concerned, in 1816, though he gained his knowledge in Scotland. From that time until about 1836 the stage-coaches rapidly increased in numbers; much capital was embarked in the business, and a vast number of stable hands and others employed. The railways have produced, of course, a great increase in the national prosperity and comfort. None the less, many of our country places have lost the means which were in the days when the coachman's "vard of tin" used to sound through their streets.

The new organisation is for the mutual protection of its members and their mutual interests in all respects. No manager's business will be interfered with, nor will the method or practice in which any single member of the Society chooses to manage his theatre or theatre company. The last named condition is an important one, as applied to Mr. Frodo.

I have lately read a scathing art. about George Frederic Handel, found it rather amusing—in a way. For instance, it made me smile to

Next we were promised efficiency and economy, which, like that blessed word "Mesopotamia," seems to promise everything that gives no trouble. This began by paying Lord Cromer £2,000 for occupying a "sinecure" at a salary without a job—voting the selves £300 per year, free postage, a freedom from election expenses. I am true they did economise by reducing the Woolwich Arsenal staff from 13,500 in 1898 and 1901 to below 10,000 in 1907, but the proposed reduction of the Navy, our first line of defence, a kind of "efficiency" which does not suit the common sense of the people. The one promise (I am reminded by a correspondent) which they made and have literally fulfilled was, "Your food will cost you nothing in the glare of a parrot placarded in the public hoardings in 1915." That Free Trade parrot's promise is the one promise they have not broken. Bread, butter, cheese, lard, bacon, sugar, and most other articles

To those interested in the land problem I would recommend "Taxation of Land Values," 6d., by D. Murray, issued by the Scottish Anti-Land Values Taxation Association, 173, 175, Vincent-st., Glasgow. It deals fully with the whole problem and compares the British system with that of America, Germany and Australasia.

The additions to the Zoological Society's Gardens for the week ending April 19 include:—Mammals: common duiker, one bonnet macaque.



There was a large attendance at the special concert in aid of the Anglers' Benevolent Society, given at the Monarch Angling Club, last week at their headquarters, the Monarch, Green Lanes, Stoke Newington, over which Mr. Curtis presided; Messrs. W. H. Barber (A. B.) and W. J. Wade (Central Association) occupying the vice-chairs. To Mr. Curtis, although a comparatively young society, the Anglers' Benevolent Society is well known in its range, and on this occasion £2 5s. was found in its collecting box, and £1 5s. aid by members and friends in the room a sum beyond that contributed to the Anglers' Benevolent Society's fund by many old and well-known Charles River anglers, who are the chief chairman of the Meme A. S.; Mr. A. B. Ivanhoe, its honorary secretary; and the members generally have every reason to be proud of the evening's entertainment, which was excellent throughout, and to the very artists and others kindly took part.

A gentleman who has cured himself, after suffering for 14 years, from deafness and noises in the head, will be pleased to forward particulars of his remedy to all readers of "The People" post free.—Address, H. Clinton, 12, Amberley House, 35, Waterloo-road, London, S.E.—[Ad.]

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## LATE EX-PREMIER.

**THE MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE ABBEY.**

M. Clemenceau, the French Prime Minister, will specially attend the memorial service at Westminster Abbey to-morrow for the late Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, as the representative of the French Government. King Edward will be represented by Earl Beauchamp, the German Emperor by Baron Stumm, and the Prince and Princess of Wales by Lord Annaly. The Duke of Connaught and Prince and Princess Christian will also be represented. The service is expected to last about three-quarters of an hour, and the Abbey on its journey to Euston about one o'clock. The pall-bearers will meet at the Abbey, and will not take part in the procession from Downing street.

**Floral Tributes.**

Several wreaths have already been delivered at 10, Downing-st., and a very large number of tributes have been ordered for the occasion. Callers continue to be numerous, and as yet there has hardly been a break in the stream of messengers bearing letters and telegrams of condolence. Crowds of football excursionists yesterday visited Downing-st. Nine-tenths of the visitors approached or passed the house of mourning with bared heads and with a total cessation of the joviality and noisy curiosity which marked their appearance elsewhere.

**French Symphony.**

Sir Ed. Grey has received a sympathetic message from the French Foreign Minister, while to Mr. Asquith was forwarded the following telegram from M. Clemenceau:—

To His Excellency the Right Hon. H. H. Asquith.

I have just heard the sad news of the death of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman. I feel it incumbent upon me to convey to you the sincere sympathy of the Government of the Republic in the loss of this eminent statesman, and to address to you the expression of our sorrow, to which I add my personal condolences. (Signed) CLEMENCEAU.

**Mr. Asquith's Reply.**

To M. Clemenceau, Sir. Your kind telegram has deeply touched me, and I am extremely grateful to you for it. We have lost a great statesman and a friend of peace and international concord. Nobody rejoiced more than he at the entente between our two nations, and we thank you with all our hearts for the sentiments of sympathy to which you have so spontaneously and so cordially given expression on behalf of your Government and yourself. (Signed) ASQUITH.

**PARLIAMENT TO ADJOURN.**

We are officially informed that to-morrow the Prime Minister will, before the commencement of public business, move the adjournment of the House of Commons until the following day. The party meeting arranged for Tuesday has been postponed.

(Full particulars of the service will be found on page 8.)

**OLD AGE PENSIONS.**

**MANUFACTURER'S PRACTICAL EXPERIMENT.**

Mr. Alfred Butterworth, cotton manufacturer, has been tested, as one of the cost of old-age pensions during Easter week by giving every person over the age of 65 in Oldham and Chadderton a "pension" of 5s. for the one week. As a result he calculates the annual cost of a 5s. pension at 65 for the nation at £30,850,000 thus—

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| Oldham & Chadderton population     | 170,000     |
| Cost of week's pension at 5s. each | £15.0       |
| Population of United Kingdom       | 44,000,000  |
| Cost for week on above basis       | £401,000    |
| Cost per annum                     | £20,625,000 |

Mr. Butterworth points out that every year about 4,000 rich persons die with fortunes aggregating about £200,000,000, and he considers it unreasonable that £30,000,000 should be raised yearly. As he grows older he feels he says, more sympathy with Christian Socialism. Mr. Butterworth spent Easter on his Hatherley estate, Andover, where he pensioned all who have worked for him any lengthened period and are overtaken by old age or infirmity.

**MME. GOULD'S DESIRE.**

**TO FREE HER LIFE FROM IMBECILES.**

Paris, Saturday.—The Naples correspondent of "The Journal" has had an interview with Mme. Anna Gould, in the course of which, although she declined to make any statement with regard to the probability of her marriage with the Prince de Sagan, Mme. Gould, speaking of the marriages of her countrywomen with Europeans, said that if American ladies preferred such marriages, it was because they wished to elevate themselves beyond the possibility of their existence in America. "We seek in the other Continent the ideals and the dream which we have not found time to realise in the United States. We love the aristocracy because we do not possess one in America, and the French aristocracy in particular, because we consider that in it alone we may find the highest realisation. One thing which American women do not understand, however, is class emotion. In America we do not pay with the heart of a wife, nor with that of a child. As for myself," said Mme. Gould, in conclusion, "I seek only retirement, and to isolate myself from crowded drawing-rooms. I want also to free my life from all the possibilities of imbeciles."—Central News.

**GOLD IN PLENTY.**

Yesterday one of the largest consignments of gold ever shipped from the Cape arrived at Southampton from the Union-Castle liner Carlsberg Castle. The total value was £1,040,063. During the past three months nearly seven millions of gold has reached the southern port from South Africa.

**SCENE IN THE MAYMARKET.**

A cab, while proceeding down the Haymarket yesterday, was overtaken by the horse taking fright, and the occupant, a lady, was thrown to the pavement but fortunately escaped uninjured. The cabman received injuries to the leg.



## PAINFUL CASE.

## DISTRESSING EVIDENCE IN IRISH DIVORCE SUIT.

## SERVANT AS CO-RESPONDENT.

Yesterday a painful divorce suit was resumed in Dublin before the Lord Chief Justice and a special jury. Petitioner was Mr. Edward Hugh Archibald, of Drumcoss, Enniskillen, secretary of the Fermanagh County Council. He changed his wife, Dorothea Frederica Mary Archibald, with misconduct and drunkenness. The petition set out that the marriage took place on May 6, 1899, respondent's maiden name being Helton; that the parties lived together at The Brook, Enniskillen, and subsequently at Drumcoss; that there were six children; that the wife became addicted to drink, was violent in language and conduct to petitioner and the children; and that at various dates in October, November, and December, 1907, she committed misconduct at Drumcoss and other places unknown to petitioner, with one Samuel McCabe, a servant in his employment.

**Peculiarities of Temper.** Mr. Campbell, K.C., M.P., in stating the case, said petitioner was a member of a well-known family in Fermanagh, and had formerly been secretary of the grand jury of that county. After the passing of the Local Government Act he was kept in the position of secretary of the county council. In 1899, their life was not happy one. From the start the lady very quickly developed peculiarities of temper—a sort of hysterical nature—that made the life of petitioner most miserable and trying. The Archibalds lived for a while at Willoughby Place, Enniskillen, and in 1903 took the place called Drumcoss, near that town. In that year Mrs. Archibald developed a passion for drink. From 1903 to 1907 this unhappy lady was under the influence of drink more or less—making an exhibition of herself, assaulting the children, reviling and vituperating her husband, and making his life a perfect hell upon earth.

**Charges of Familiarity.** Counsel then detailed the charges petitioner made against respondent of familiarity with the servant McCabe. This servant, he said, was dismissed, but was brought back by Mrs. Archibald. He was found in the place again by Mr. Archibald, but the woman had become so demoralized with drink that she became oblivious to all sense of shame and decency. There was absolutely no doubt whatever that the improper relations that were alleged existed. Petitioner deposed to his wife's drinking habits. Did a governor named Miss Statter come to stay with you? Yes—Witness said that his wife went to Bundoran, and from there he got a letter from her stating that "Statter was a time-server, and calling her by an offensive name. In the same letter his wife also described an accident to her eye. She said 'You would think that I was in a row or fight,' and added that she had not even had a bottle of stout, as 'the only drink I had like that had a snail in it.' (Laughter.)

**Shut in a Horse Box.** Proceeding, witness said that when a wife came back she was at a riot at state, and on Christmas night assaulted Miss Statter, called her various names, and ordered her out of the house. He further said respondent stayed out late at night, and on one occasion said she had come down with the washwomen. (Laughter.) He added that on one occasion she beat their boy, "Monty," and said to him "Go with the boy." He said that he did not know if it was a horse box or a horse box. (Laughter.) He said that he did not know if it was a horse box or a horse box. (Laughter.) He said that he did not know if it was a horse box or a horse box. (Laughter.)

**A Complete Denial.** Archibald was then examined and made a complete denial to the charges of familiarity with the servant McCabe. On one occasion on which the doctor was sent to the house, he said that he was drunk, and that he was taken to the hospital. He denied that he treated her child "Monty" in a violent manner, or that she ever used foul language. In reply to the Lord Chief Justice, he denied that he had ever made any attack on the witness, Miss Schlatter. Questioned as to her feelings towards McCabe, he said she liked him because he was a good servant, and a good servant. She drank with him in her life.

**The Locked Door.** Archibald denied that she was drunk with McCabe. The statement of Miss Statter, the governor, to the effect that witness called attention to a resemblance between her baby and McCabe was denied. She admitted that during the time of her husband McCabe had lived in the former's bedroom, and that she was locked on her side. She said she was in the house because it was so cold, and that she should do so during his absence to the charge of having stroked McCabe with her hands, she denied, but said that on one occasion she had soot on her hand she wiped it on the face. The Lord Chief Justice: Why was that?—Respondent: I don't know, my lord.—Lord Chief Justice: Was it a bit of Guinness? Yes.—In 1907, witness said Mrs. Archibald said that in 1906 she was living on affectionate terms with her husband. She believed her husband was guilty of misconduct in 1904.—The servant, McCabe, was killed, and denied the allegations of misconduct. He had never taken any part in the case.—Adjourned.

Yesterday, while playing with fire in a house in Tower-st., Westminster, a fire broke out, which spread rapidly, and caused the loss of the house. The fire was caused by a child, who was playing with a match, and the fire spread to the house. The house was destroyed, and the child was killed. The fire was caused by a child, who was playing with a match, and the fire spread to the house. The house was destroyed, and the child was killed.

## TRAGEDY OF WANT.

## FATHER CHARGED WITH CHILD MURDER.

## CHILD MURDER.

There was a shocking tragedy at Fulham, yesterday, a father killing his little son, aged 3½ years, by cutting the child's throat. The scene of the tragedy was a flat in Stephendale-rd., one of the poorest and most squalid districts of Fulham. The flat was occupied by Charles Fox, a man with his wife and six children. Fox had been a postman, but was discharged about 2½ years ago after having been in the service for 20 years. He had since obtained only a little work, and had become exceedingly dependent on the continued fruitfulness of his endeavours to obtain employment.

**A Daughter's Cry.** Between five and six o'clock yesterday morning the mother was awakened by the cry of her daughter Rosina, who is only 10 years old, and going into the room she found the little boy Percy lying in bed with his throat cut. Rosina, who had been sleeping in the same bed with the murdered child, said that her father came into the room shortly after five o'clock. She said that she saw her father's face covered with blood. Father had left the room before then. Mrs. Fox at once aroused her neighbours, and the police and a medical man were summoned. The child, however, was past the aid of a doctor, and apparently died within a short time of the injury to his throat being inflicted.

**Long Search.** A search was immediately made for the child's father, but he was nowhere to be found. It was gathered that he was seen to rush out of the house into the street in his shirt sleeves, carrying his coat on his arm. As the result of inquiries by detectives, he was traced to Putney Bridge, from that spot nothing could be found of his movements. However, the man gave himself up at Waltham Green in the afternoon, and was apparently grief-stricken. As the result of inquiries by a "People" representative, it is believed that the continued worry as to his inability to find work had affected Fox's mind. The murdered child, a bonnie little fellow with golden hair, is described as having been of an exceptionally bright disposition, and according to his mother had as much sense as a child twice his age. The father is a man of 46 years of age, with ruddy complexion and brown hair. The family have not been resident long at Stephendale-rd., but according to neighbours, seemed to be perfectly happy in spite of their poverty. The father, a cooper, was described as a man of a kindly disposition, and in the locality. The inquest will be held to-morrow at the Fulham Coroner's Court by the West London Coroner, Mr. C. Luxmoore Drew.

**Police-Court Proceedings.** Prisoner was brought up at West London before Mr. Lane, K.C., late in the afternoon on the charge of murdering his child, Percy Fox, aged 3½ years, by cutting his throat with a knife.—Det.-Insp. Knell intimated that it was only proposed to give formal evidence of arrest and then apply for a remand. That day witness found prisoner detained at South Fulham Police-Station. He charged him with the murder of the child and prisoner made no reply to the charge, beyond saying "Yes." Witness, accompanied by "Supp. Powell and Sub-div.-Insp. Emerick, then conveyed prisoner to the court, and on the way prisoner said:

"I should like to say something in front of the proper persons and explain why the deed was done. It would have been the best thing for me to do, and I remember. He was the flower of the flock. Nobody knows how it was done. When I did the deed I never dropped a drop of blood, my hand was as clean as a sheet. I want the world to forget the deed, but I want my wife to remember, and she will remember."

—The Chief Clerk (Mr. Lowrie): Was he perfectly sober when he made the charge, beyond saying "Yes." Witness, in cross-examination, denied that he had ever been in the room with the prisoner. Yes, that may be so—the word might have been "should."—Remanded.

## ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

**THE GREAT EXHIBITION AT SHEPHERD'S BUSH.** The Prince of Wales, with whom will be the Princess, will perform the opening ceremony in connection with the Franco-British Exhibition at Shepherd's Bush. May 11 has been mentioned as the date for the opening, but nothing definite has yet been fixed. Preparations are being actively carried on. A feature of the ceremony will be the performance by a large choir of mixed voices, selected from the various military bands, of the national anthems of the two countries, by the Duke of Argyll, and has been set to music by Sir C. V. Stanford. The French Fine Art Section of the Exhibition will not be opened until the day of the State visit of King Edward and Pres. Fallieres, which takes place on May 26. It is probable that his Majesty will formally open this section.

## FIRES IN LONDON.

## THREE LIVES LOST; PERSONAL INJURIES.

Three fatalities occurred yesterday in connection with outbreaks in N. London. By a fire which broke out at 4, Whitthampten-st., Hoxton, at the tenement of a family named Lane a child named Vera, aged 3, was killed, and a mother named Mrs. Lane was badly burned in endeavouring to beat out the flames.—As a result of a fire at 23, Baxter-rd., Essex-rd., Leighton, Mrs. Macdonald, 23; James Macdonald, 21; and Henry Macdonald, 7 months were terribly burned. They were all three removed to hospital, where the other children succumbed. The mother remains in a precarious condition. At a fire at a private house in Dereham-place, Shoreditch, Sarah Kelly, 5, was terribly burned.

## A BIG CONTRACT.

The contract for the entire outfit of the Royal Irish Constabulary, hitherto in the hands of English firms, has been secured by the Athlone Woollen Mills Co. (Ltd.). The contract allows for two uniforms, overcoat, and cap for 11,000 men.

## ARCTIC WEATHER.

## BLIZZARD ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

## UNPARALLELED SCENES.

Meteorological conditions, which for some days have not been witnessed for half a century in April, culminated yesterday in heavy snowstorms in various parts of the country. London, too, was visited by the severe weather. A bitterly cold day, culminated in a heavy fall of snow, and owing to the prevalence of a north-westerly gale, much inconvenience was caused to pedestrians in the streets. The thermometer, however, was above freezing point, with the result that the snow melted as it fell, but some places a short distance from the metropolis were not so fortunate, for there were heavy downfalls of snow, followed by blizzards. In West Surrey and Central Sussex the ground was covered to a depth of six inches. Vehicular traffic was almost completely stopped, and the streets of the towns were practically deserted.

## Damage to Crops.

In farming districts serious damage has been done to crops, and in some places where the snowfall is exceptionally heavy, roads have been blocked, and traffic carried on with the greatest difficulty. The damage to fruit trees has been exceptionally severe, and large numbers of lambs have been lost in the snow. Some amazing temperatures are recorded. The Meteorological Office reports 14 deg. of frost at Nairn, North-West Aberdeen, while the still more remarkable reading of 18 deg. was taken from the Yorkshire fells. In London the mercury fell below freezing point, and the maximum temperature was 42 deg. Our latest telegrams indicate that there is still little relaxation in the severity of the weather in many parts of the country.

## RAVAGES IN THE SOUTH.

From an early hour snow fell at Bournemouth, and the town presents a more wintry aspect than at any period during the past winter. The corporation snow plough has been brought out to clear the tram lines. Such a heavy fall of snow so late in the year is believed to be a record. A terrific snowstorm also broke over Southampton, and there were two feet of snow in the roadway. The trams were snowed up, and gangs were busy digging them out. Trade was disorganised generally, and the trains ran over an hour late, the lines being covered by a depth of snow. The telegraph running from the Dock to Waterloo was broken down. It is stated to be the worst storm since 1881, the year of the great and disastrous blizzard.

## An Exciting Rescue.

At Portsmouth snow fell heavily for some hours. While the storm was at its height a party of eight, chiefly local business people, had an exceedingly narrow escape from drowning. They had been visiting the battleship Formidable, which was anchored at Spithead, when they were returning to the shore in an open sailing boat, when they were caught in the storm and nearly swamped by the violence of the waves. They were unable to see land, and were quite exhausted when sighted by H.M.S. Magnet, which rescued them with considerable difficulty. The snowstorm which visited Hampshire yesterday was without parallel in living memory. As much as three feet of snow was recorded in some places. Communication with many country districts was entirely suspended, the roads being impassable in places.

## THE WEST OF ENGLAND.

Snow fell heavily without intermission for six hours throughout North Dorset and East Somerset, and the ground was covered 5 in. in depth. Upland flock masters are having an anxious time with their lambs. A message from Alton, Hants, states that snow is lying in some parts at a depth of from 12 in. There has been the heaviest fall of snow for many years in the South, covering the ground to a depth of over a foot. District roads are blocked, and traffic in Yeovil impeded. It is feared local farmers have suffered seriously with lambs, and out-door work has been temporarily suspended. In many parts of the Isle of Wight there are three feet of snow, causing serious dislocation of traffic. Astonishment prevailed in Seilly among the inhabitants and visitors alike when the islands were found to be covered with snow. Never in living memory had a similar sight been seen in April.

## IN THE MIDLANDS.

Snow has fallen in the middle parts of Warwickshire to a depth of half a foot in country places. Vehicular traffic was practically stopped, and all trains are late. The heaviest snowfall of the season was experienced throughout South Warwickshire yesterday. The blizzard covered the ground for several hours, and in some districts the snow drifted to a depth of several feet. Snow fell incessantly for over six hours yesterday at Northampton, and heavy floods are expected in Nene Valley. During the snowstorm a farmer named Marsh heard the cuckoo singing in Castle Ashby park, the seat of the Marquis of Northampton.

## Dead in the Snow.

The body of Geo. Palmer, of Bury St. Edmunds, has been found in the snow by the roadside near Great Walsingham. Palmer, a postman, was a dealer, and set out to walk from Walsingham to Sudbury. He was evidently overcome by the blizzard, and sank by the roadside to die.—An Arkeston driver, named Goodwin, who had apparently taken refuge behind a stack from the fury of the blizzard, was found dead under the snow at Saffron Walden.

## RECAPTURED.

Yesterday a man who escaped from custody while being conveyed to Reading, was recaptured at Oxford. Newman, who had hidden himself in a railway wagon, was tracked by P.C. Robinson by footmarks in the snow. Prisoner said he was nearly frozen to death.

## SOLENT DISASTER.

## BLUEJACKET TELLS HIS STORY.

## HOW IT HAPPENED.

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Interviewed by the Press representative last night, one of the men who had been landed from the Gladiolator at Yarmouth said:—"It was foggy when we started from Portland about 10 this morning. We steamed slowly at a speed of about eight knots to Hurst Castle. After getting inside the Isle of Wight a blinding snowstorm came on. We were proceeding slowly when suddenly we heard a terrific crash and found that a large liner had struck us amidships on the starboard beam. In about 20 minutes the Gladiolator sank. Our commander, Capt. Lumsden, was on the bridge and was the last to leave. Everything was in good order. The Gladiolator rolled over on her beam ends so quickly that we could not get all our boats launched. When she went over all hands climbed to the bottom of the ship, which was out of the water. Thanks to some of our boats and a few from the St. Paul we got ashore safely, but lost several poor fellows. The good news was that we were not outside the Isle of Wight or we should not be here now. Perfect order prevailed on the St. Paul, which had her damaged bow temporarily repaired at Yarmouth, and how gone on to Southampton.

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## ANOTHER DESCRIPTION.

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**NAVAL AND MILITARY**

On Tuesday Col. Ogle will give up command of the 2nd Batn. East Yorksh.

Regt., and will be succeeded by Bre-

for Staden, Second in Command of the  
Batt. at Shorcliffe, who served with  
distinction in the South African War.

Yesterday Major Cloete, who has of late been in command of H Battery, RHA, at Ipswich, took over command of M Battery, RHA, in Ireland, in succession to Major Humphreys, DSO.

Adlington will be given the honor of colonelcy of the Buckinghamshire Territorial Battalion in succession to Wetherell, deceased. Lord Adlington was for several years in command of the 1st K. O. Coy.

Yesterday, Surgeon Gen. Dorman, who has just been promoted to his present rank in the Army Medical Service, took over the appointment of Principal Medical Officer of the Eastern Command, in succession to Surgeon Gen. Charlton, who has retired.

Yesterday, Major Verstone Bunby took over command of the 2nd Buffs. Royal Scots in succession to Col. Murray.

To-morrow Brigadier Gen. Lomas will give up command of the 10th Infantry Brigade at Shorncliffe and will be succeeded by Col. de la Hun. Montagu Stewart, who served in the King's Rifle Brigade and was lately employed as Rtd. Military Attache in Paris. He will be the temporary rank of Brigadier while in command at Shorncliffe.

The following appointments were notified at the Admiralty yesterday—  
Commander E. Corbett to Blake, to May 9; R. L. Creighton to Vengeance recommissioning, to date May 5; A. J. de la Roche to Europa, idd for Amphitrite.

command, to date April 28. Lieut. C. Massey to Vivid add'l for Indomitable (T). H. P. Ritchie to Vengeance (T) and G. on reconmissioning, both to May 5. J. O. Barrow to Blake, add'l Hardy, in command. P. F. Newcomer to Triumph both to date April 29. E. Edmunds to Sapphire, add'l for temporary in lieu of sublieutenant, to April 14. Lieut. (RNR) H. C. Bester to Vivid add'l; W. H. A. Sledge

Excellent addl. both for requalification Gunnery course, to date April 25. Captain to Vernon and Krellent addl. short course of T and U, to date April 25. Engineer lieuts C. E. Vinning to excellent, addl. for Revenge. Smith to London, both to April 24. Engineer Sublieut. A. Parry to Duncan, to date April 24. Chaplain and Naval inst., Rev. H. Zell, M.A., sent to Hindustan, temporary.

date, April 24. Fleet surgeon C. Brad  
MD, to Cedar, on recommissioning.  
12. Staff surgeon E. O. Leahy, F.R.C.S.,  
to Sulej, on commissioning. E. S.  
lor, M.B., to Cornwallis, on recommis-  
sioning, both to date May 12. Surgeons V.  
Blanchard to Smith, on commission-  
ing, C. K. B. Sude, MD, BA, to Cornwallis,  
recommissioning. P. D. Ramsey to V.  
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24. A. T. Dennis to sapphire, addl.  
Onse, to date April 14. Rossall  
Badcock to Vivid, addl. for Deinde  
date April 24. Substant. R. N. R.  
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for short course of torpedo and gun-  
as acting Deat., to date April 25.

Royal Marine Maj J B. N. R.M.I., to embark in Bulwark. Graham; Maj J. L. Homer, R.M. I. to embark in Prince George, vice H. M. I. M. C. W. Graham, R.M.I. transfer from Bulwark to Pembroke. Maj F. M. B. Hobbs, R.M.I., to transfer from Prince George to Victory.

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**THE THAME:** Stretford anglers were out during the day but the weather was not so good as yesterday. The catch was much smaller but the trout were better. Mr. H. Wheeler has been out of the river in new running clothes.

OLD WINNERS. "I need not have been  
talking to the Arctic wind and the  
sea," says River to a poor condition  
will be no sport with trout until the water  
proves.

HENRY. Much snow has fallen. The  
primes considerable rainfall will put the  
into flood by Sunday. Nothing doing with the  
trout.

TIM LEA.

BERTFORD. The sea has been and  
strong will continue to be a trial for trout  
fishers. There will be no sport with trout until  
sport should be had.

THE CHES.

**CHESHAM** During the holidays most of the Ureshah took a few trout, but some anglers have been successful.

**SEA FISHING**

**ROTHEND** A large number of anglers out during the holidays and some fair bass and flounder were caught. Anglers. Trout, but the warmer weather is needed.

**ELMSTON**—Best anglers have had fair success and dabbs. Prospects good, but somewhat unsettled.

**THE WEEK'S FIXTURES**

Monday—Anglers' Association annual

Monday—City of London, house supper.  
 Tuesday—Mr. P. A. Gray will read a paper.  
 Trout, annual dinner at the Nags Head.  
 Wednesday—Blenheim, annual general meeting.  
 Thursday—Bedford, annual dinner at the Bedford Hotel.  
 Friday—Trout, fishing sports on the Irithurst, New Albion, local annual meeting.  
 Saturday—Lynnhelm, annual dinner at the Nags Head.

Five members of the West Hamstead Society fishing in their private water meadows, took nine trout weighing 24 The heaviest fish (4lb 1oz) was secured Post during a showerstorm

**LATEST SHIPPING NEWS**

**VEHICLES REPORTED AT CUSTOM HOUSES**  
**4 P.M. YESTERDAY**  
 Gauciat, Jersey, Hartford W & F Galt  
 Newland, Pa. Flushing, 4 Boro 17, Fla  
 & Co.  
 K. Hughes, Flushing, Q.D. Fr., Fla  
 & Co.  
 Viola (a) Hamburg, St. K.D. Craves &  
 Farfield, Va. Cedar, Fresh W. Midland, No  
 Hamburg, Coates's W. G.B. Co.  
 Giraffe, Guernsey Woolwich Y Book  
 Jane Kilgour, Guernsey Cherry Gard  
 Temple, Thomson & Clarke,  
 Virginia (a), Baltimore, R.A.D. A.T. S.S.

Tiveros (s), Tiveros & Co. L D United Sts  
 Berlin (s), Berlin & Co. Barcelona, Sc. M S  
 Hietala (s), Hietala & Co.  
 Meakred & Co.  
 Alexandros Macchilimos (s), Kustendy  
 Macchilimos & Co.  
 Jasper (s), San Peln & Co. Med. W. C. Gre  
 Chapman (s), Macchilimos, E. A. D.  
 Davies & Co.  
 Finn Sutherland (s), Sutherland & W. D.  
 Jenkinson & Co.  
 Amie (s), Danning, Horn & Co. Harpo  
 Kaphir (s), Corred, T. H. Coleman Linc.  
 S. J. G. Gurney, Gramis, W. Tumpie, I  
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Moulton (a), Denkerque, Bulley's W. M.  
 & Co.  
 Batavia III. (a), Rotterdam, C.H.Q. W. H.  
 & Co.  
 Agas, man (a), Yokohama, R.A.D. Swiss  
 Wagon (a), Harro, Morocco W. G.M.  
 Spryer (a), Bremen, St. K.D. Arts & C.  
 Marmore (a), Shanghai, Y.D. & Co



**"THE PEOPLE" MIXTURE.****PARAGRAPHS FROM ALL PARTS.**

In London 2,083 births and 1,348 deaths were registered last week. The births were 457 and the deaths 150 below the average numbers in the corresponding weeks of the previous five years.

The annual death-rate from all causes, which had been 17.2, 16.6, and 16.7 per 1,000 in the preceding three weeks, was 14.7 last week.

The 1,348 deaths included 40 from measles, 15 from scarlet fever, 14 from diphtheria, 31 from whooping cough, 4 from enteric fever, and 15 from diarrhoea. The deaths attributed directly to influenza numbered 57, having been 71, 64, and 37 in the preceding three weeks.

Different forms of violence caused 49 deaths. Of these 11 were cases of suicide, while the remaining 38 deaths were attributed to accident or negligence.

In Greater London 3,288 births and 1,897 deaths were registered. Allowing for increase of population, these numbers are 538 and 121 below the respective averages in the corresponding weeks of the previous five years.

The deaths registered last week in 76 great towns of England and Wales corresponded to an annual rate of 15.2 per 1,000 of their aggregate population, which is estimated at 16,234,952 persons in the middle of this year.

In the preceding three weeks the rate had been 17.4, 16.8, and 15.4.

The L.B. and S.C. Rly. will run special trains in connection with Epsom races next week.

Statistics show that 736 persons, most of whom were in very poor circumstances, committed suicide last year in St. Petersburg. The number in 1904 was only 169.

**CHILDREN'S TRIBUTE.**

A fund of 50,000 pennies is being raised by the Roman Catholic children in England for the erection of a monument to the late Cardinal Manning in the Westminster Cathedral.

**THE BRONZE AGE.**

Some stone cists, one of which contained fragments of several urns and a man's tooth, which were excavated from a garden at Stevenston, Ayrshire, have been pronounced by experts to belong to the bronze age.

**LARGEST SUBMARINE.**

The Paris newspapers announce that the largest submarine yet built will shortly be launched at Cherbourg. The vessel will be 64 metres long, with 625 tons displacement, and she will develop a mean speed of 15 knots. She will probably have a crew equal in strength to that of a destroyer.

Australians love the theatre, and in proportion to numbers they perform more for theatrical entertainment than any persons alive.

While kneeling in prayer in Little Steeping Church, Lancashire, on Sunday last, Mr. Chas. Taylor, a Derbyshire schoolmaster, died.

When a Chinese burglar rushed towards her in her house at Rangoon Mrs. Bush, wife of Capt. Bush, R.A., promptly shot the man. Margaret Hodgkinson, aged three, was burned to death at Letchworth, near Northwich, owing to her clothes catching fire.

The Rand mines are considering the provision of pleasure grounds, with a view to encouraging social intercourse and athletics, and so inducing more settled conditions.

The King of Spain has accepted an X-ray photograph of his hand from Fleet-surgeon C. M. Headnell. The photograph was taken on board H.M.S. Benbow.

Mr. S. J. Ellis, chairman of Watford Urban Council, has been presented with a silver cradle to commemorate the birth of a daughter during his year of office.

While grazing on the outmarshes in Wingham, Sutton Bridge, a flock of sheep, consisting of 75 ewes and 123 lambs, was cut off from the shore by the tide, which reached an unusual height, and drowned.

**SCENE AT A COCK-FIGHT.**

Learning that a cock-fight was taking place among the County Down hills, near Belfast, two policemen visited the place and attempted to seize the birds. This annoyed the spectators that they attacked the officers, who were knocked down, kicked, and otherwise maltreated.

**ADVERTISING CENSORSHIP.**

The Government of Lucerne (Switzerland) is promoting a Bill by which the exhibition of advertisements on trees, rocks, walls, buildings, or open spaces, whether in the form of painted, printed, or placards, must be approved by the Stadthalter, and such as already exist and disfigure streets or landscapes must be removed within a year.

**CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS.**

The Archbishop of Canterbury has appointed the Rev. J. M. Tamplin, M.A., vicar of Holy Trinity, Sheerness, to the vicarage of Rainham, Kent, and the Rev. O. H. Parry to the vicarage of All Hallows, East India Docks, in succession to the Rev. T. C. Twitchell, who has been appointed Missionary Bishop of Polynesia.

The Prince of Wales has given a cup for competition at the Royal Harwich Yacht Club regatta.

Count Paul Shuvaloff, Russian Ambassador in Berlin from 1885 to 1894, has just died at Yalta, aged 78.

Dr. J. H. Skinner has been elected Mayor of Winchester, which has the only unarmoured corporation outside London.

Admiral Evans has now recovered from his indisposition, and has resumed command of the American fleet.

Alice Bradley, a servant, arrived home for Easter at Selkley, Staffordshire, to find her father hanging dead in the dining-room.

The Soar Angling Society have re-stocked the river at Loughborough with some hundreds of very fine roach, perch and tench.

Two cows, owned by Mr. Settrington, of Farnfield, Notts, have just given birth to 40 pigs. This constitutes a record.

Mr. R. Duke, of Brechin, has left £500 to provide a treat at New Year and a picnic in the summer for the inmates of the Brechin Almshouse.

The London County Council only found it necessary to spend £315, 2d. last quarter in inspecting places of entertainment with a view to preventing undesirable performances.

An eight-year-old boy named Frank Roberts was stated at the Guildhall to have boasted of breaking hundreds of windows in the City—12 in the past week. He was sent to a remand home.

A fire by which damage was done to the extent of £20,000 occurred in an oil refinery in the Rue Oudo at Marseilles. Several persons were arrested for collecting the escaping oil in barrels which they had stolen.

A husband informed the Highgate magistrate that he had quarrelled with his wife because she pencilled her eyebrows. "No respectable married woman," he declared, "should do such a thing."

**A LINK WITH THE PAST.**

One of the last of the "wooden walls of old England," the Asia, which was in the thick of the fight at Navarino, has been sold by auction at Chatham for £5,000.

**NEW GUM FROM QUEENSLAND.**

A chemist has discovered that the Queensland pine tree yields one of the most marketable gums in the world. Varnish manufacturers are buying it at the rate of 10s. per "kerosene tin." Without injury to the trees, a fully matured pine tree gives two to four tins.

**NEWSPAPER PROPRIETOR'S DEATH.**

Mr. F. K. Wilson, of Romford, founder of "The Essex Times" and proprietor, with the late Mr. Whitworth, of "The Essex Times," "The Stratford Express," and "The Watlington Express," died at Margate while taking an Easter holiday. He was 67 years old.

The Servian Government has decided that henceforward no more emigrants from Turkey shall be admitted.

Interlocked at a cost of £800, St. Peter's Church, Norfolk, has been repaired by the Bishop of Gloucester.

A general arbitration treaty between the United States and Spain has been signed at Washington.

The Canadian Grand Trunk Railway is inviting tenders for the erection of a grain elevator at Fort William, with a capacity of two million bushels.

In recognition of his past services to education Mr. R. Waddington, of Bolton, was presented at the National Union of Teachers' Conference, at Hastings, with a cheque for £500.

Mr. Robert Hatcher, of Taunton, one of the leaders of the Plymouth Brethren in England, died this week from heart failure following an operation for appendicitis.

Some rain fell last week in all the provinces of India, and harvest operations have caused a fall of 100,000 in numbers on which, which were previously over a million.

In order to retain his services the Guggenheim Syndicate at Washington, U.S.A., has raised the salary of Mr. J. Hays Hammond, the well-known mining engineer, to £250,000 a year, an increase of £50,000 a year.

A proposal is before the Manx Legislature to extend the harbour works at Douglas and Port Erin at a cost of £150,000. The surplus revenue of the Isle of Man last year amounted to £20,001.

The quarterly returns of the post office at Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony, show that the parcels (2,147) posted and the postage (£114 19s. 8d.) from Feb. 1 to 15 were exactly similar in number and amount to those for the corresponding period of last year.

**WELL-KNOWN SPORTSMAN DEAD.**

The death is announced of Mr. Nugent Chichester, of Calverleigh Court, near Tiverton, Devon, a family which has owned extensive estates in the county since the time of Henry VII. Mr. Chichester was a typical English squire, and, until age prevented him, was an enthusiastic foxhunter.

**KILLED BY A CHAFF-CUTTER.**

A little girl named Beatrice Morgan was killed near Chesham by being caught in a chaff-cutting machine. Her father, who was in charge of the machine, is deaf and was unaware that the child was playing close by until her clothing became entangled in the machine.

**THE "SHUTTLE-KISSING" PERIL.**

Lancashire medical officers are calling attention to the danger of weavers in the cotton mills contracting infectious diseases from the practice known as "shuttle-kissing"—sucking the wet thread from the eye of the shuttle. Diphtheria, consumption, and many other diseases are spread by this custom.

Mr. James Hooy has died at Ballytrain, Monaghan, aged 107.

A Dorking train knocked down a porter named White at Epsom Town Station and killed him instantly.

Mrs. Mary Scott, of Stranraer, Scotland, was knocked down and killed at Toronto by a fire engine.

The King's birthday will be celebrated on June 26. At all other stations it will be celebrated on Nov. 9.

Negotiations are proceeding for a fusion of the whole of the Scotch steel tube makers, with a view to ending competition.

Patrick Kenny, a labourer, convicted of driving 31 sheep off a farm at Ballybrannigan, was sentenced at Loughborough to 12 months' hard labour.

It has again been found necessary to alter the date of the annual dinner of the Corona Club, which is now fixed for June 23, at the Hotel Cecil, Lord Crew will preside.

With a view to the encouragement of early rising Mr. Geo. Watt, a popular social entertainer at Hobart (Tasmania), is holding "At Home" at 5 a.m.

A L.C.C. return states that although last month the weights and measures inspectors visited 5,936 premises and 631 stalls, it was only necessary to take proceedings in 12 cases.

Members of the Territorial Forces are excluded, by a special War Office order just issued, from the operation of the Workmen's Compensation Act.

At Brighton, a verdict of suicide was returned in the case of Arthur Chisholm, a labourer, aged 44, who threw himself over the cliff at Black Rock (well 90ft.). He had been unable to get work and was suffering from gastric trouble.

Seven years ago the country district rate of Suffron Walden was 81 in the £. It has now risen to 35. 6d. in the £, and the rise is attributed entirely to the motor traffic on the country roads, and the necessity of widening them at certain places.

**QUEER NESTING PLACE.**

On workmen ascending to the tower clock at the parish church at Merton, near Epsom, which had stopped, they found that a bird had built a nest in the works.

**TELEGRAPHIST'S CRAMP.**

Addressing the Bradford Post Office staff, Mr. Buxton, Postmaster-General, said that telegraphists' cramp and the considerable amount of illness at some of the large telephone trunk exchanges would have to be investigated.

**WHAT CHILDREN WANT TO KNOW.**

Lecturing at the annual Easter Conference of Sunday School Teachers at Scarborough, Miss W. Bone (Cardiff University) said that amongst other questions which had been asked her by children were, "Do dogs have headaches?" and "What is to-morrow?"

The English trippers in Paris for the Easter holidays exceeded by thousands those of last year.

An inquest was held at West Ham on Mrs. Esther Butler, who committed suicide at the age of 83.

Fines imposed upon motorists in the Kingston Petty Sessions division during the quarter ending March 31 amounted to the record sum of £1,030.

The Indian telegraph strike has ended, all the men going back to work pending the arrangement of a compromise.

The popularity of the car-rings increases. At the Palace Theatre it was noticed the other night that every second woman in the audience wore car-rings.

Four hundred and seventy-nine King's Bench actions are entered for hearing at the ensuing Easter sittings, compared with 893 at the corresponding sittings last year.

The Glasgow Corporation has received a cheque for £16,000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie, being the final instalment of £100,000 given for the building of district libraries.

"I want to go to the asylum, can I?" inquired Eglert Castle, a young man, at the Blackpool Police Court. He had been found behaving strangely on the promenade. His request was granted.

On the stone ledge of a monument in Bunsdale cemetery a miserly thrush has built her nest and is sitting on four eggs, quite unconcerned about the many visitors who pass close by her.

At a meeting of the Lambeth Guardians it was stated that there had been no replies to advertisements for a domestic servant at one of the board's institutions. The clerk was asked to advertise again for a "lady companion," and it is expected there will be hundreds of applicants.

**"A NEGRO OF HIS PASSIONS."**

A Polish author named Strahinsky has written to protest against the censor, who altered a sentence in his novel which read, "He was the slave of his passions," to "He was the negro of his passions."

**TAUGHT THREE GENERATIONS.**

A schoolmistress for 44 years, and one of the oldest teachers in the country, Mrs. Beale has just retired from the head of the London rd. girls' school, Burgess Hill, where she had instructed the children and grandchildren of her first pupil.

**GOLF CLUB'S TRICENTENARY.**

Blackheath Golf Club, which is claimed to be the oldest in the world, will celebrate the 300th year of its existence by a grand banquet at the Hotel Cecil. It was inaugurated in the year 1608, when James VI. of Scotland and his courtiers played on Blackheath with the English King and members of his Court.

**SCOTLAND'S BIRTH RATE.**

The birth rate in Scotland last year was the lowest yet recorded. The Registrar-General's returns show that 128,783 children were born—131 fewer than in 1906 and 3,556 less than the average of the previous five years.

**"SUFFRAGE DAY."**

On the first annual "Suffrage Day" on June 13 the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies will have a procession from the Victoria Embankment to the Albert Hall, where a mass meeting will be held.

**ABBEY MUSEUM.**

A museum is shortly to be added to the attractions of Westminster Abbey. There are many historical relics throughout the building, which the public never see, and which will form the nucleus of the collection.

Essex Flower Show will hold their annual summer flower show on Sunday, June 1, in the grounds of the Essex Racecourse.

The freedom of Barnstable has been conferred on Mr. H. J. Edwards, the composer and pianist.

At Blackpool John Stevens, a victor, was sent to 14 days' hard labour for stealing a bicycle while drunk, and selling it for half a crown.

For the 40th consecutive year the Easter vestry has elected Mr. W. Groom churchwarden for St. Nicholas Church, at Harwich.

Five labourers who live at Moreton were each sentenced to two months' hard labour at Otago for a brutal assault on a constable.

Charged with bigamy, Thos. Carpenter, 23, of Nolan-place, Rotherhithe, was remanded at Tower Bridge. He said his first wife ran away from him about two years ago.

"Fresh country butter," which was found hawking at Yarmouth was found to contain 95 per cent of foreign matter. A fine of £10 and costs has been imposed.

An immense petition is shortly to be presented to the House of Commons praying for the inspection of convents. It is said to be signed by three quarters of a million people.

While spending the Easter holidays with some relatives at the Potters, John "Trot" Chamberlain, 62, a collector, of Ashton-in-Makerfield, was suffocated through a piece of pork sticking in his throat.

The Rev. Father Hayes, who recently made a two years' tour round the world in the interests of the Catholic Temperance Crusade of Great Britain, has resigned his post at Market Rasen, Lincoln.

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned at the inquest on Cecilia Agnes Dickenson, 23, nurse at the General Hospital, Birmingham, who died from heart failure in her bath.

Speaking at Carlisle, Chancellor Prescott said: "Probably there is no body of Christians in the whole world whose members contribute so little to the support of their clergy as the members of the Church of England."

**SCOTLAND'S BIRTH RATE.**

The birth rate in Scotland last year was the lowest yet recorded. The Registrar-General's returns show that 128,783 children were born—131 fewer than in 1906 and 3,556 less than the average of the previous five years.

**"SUFFRAGE DAY."**

On the first annual "Suffrage Day" on June 13 the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies will have a procession from the Victoria Embankment to the Albert Hall, where a mass meeting will be held.

**ABBEY MUSEUM.**

A museum is shortly to be added to the attractions of Westminster Abbey. There are many historical relics throughout the building, which the public never see, and which will form the nucleus of the collection.

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**"DON'T CRY, DADDY!"**

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Piano.

Key G.

1. An old man once sat in the fire-place,  
2. The old man was touch'd by the youngster;  
3. Ten years have pass'd, still the old man

His pale face was crim-son as chalk..... The  
In fact, he was touch'd for his clock..... He  
Sits with his child on his knee..... He

cup-board was bare, it had no-thing to wear, The fire had gone out for a walk.....  
thought of the day that his wife sail'd a-way In a ves-sel from Lam-beth place dock..... But  
can't eat or sleep with his eyes full of weep Keeps won-der-ing where she can be.....

"Why are those tear-drops fall-ing?" Cried his "be-by-boy, thy-ty years old..... He  
Said, "ly he gas'd on her pho-to-Twas a tin-ty of when she was young..... He  
He knows that the ves-sel Has been wreck'd, the cruel tem-pest she's brav'd.....

Sheet music for "DON'T CRY, DADDY!" featuring vocal lines and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are integrated into the musical notation. The piece is in G major and 2/4 time. It includes a chorus and a final verse. The music is arranged for a solo voice and piano.



## STAINES TRAGEDY.

A STORY OF JEALOUSY AND DECEIT. EVIDENCE AT THE INQUEST.

M. R. Reginald Kemp, J.P., deputy coroner for the West Middlesex district, held an inquest in the Town Hall, Staines, on the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Hannah Power, the wife of Mr. Ambrose Power, a planter in Jamaica, who were the victims of the double tragedy in a riverside villa at Staines on Good Friday. The coroner shortly addressed the jury at the outset, and stated that he believed the deceased man was married, and lived with Mrs. Power, a married woman. There would be very little difficulty in proving to them that he shot her with a revolver and murdered her, and then took his own life.

## Mother's Story.

Mrs. Emily Hunter, who was the first witness called, said she lived at Alexandra Mansions, London, and was the mother of the deceased.



MR. BUCHHOLZ.

woman, whose body she identified. Her daughter's name was Hannah Elizabeth Power, and she was married to a Mr. Ambrose Power, who was at present living in Jamaica. Her daughter had been living in this country since last March 12 months, and first met Mr. Buchholz at the theatre last October. How did they come to speak to each other? I cannot tell you. It is rather strange, is it not, for a respectable married woman to meet a man like that, do so at the theatre with no introduction? I cannot tell you the particulars. I think you know, don't you? Did your daughter not talk over her affairs? No, she did not. When was the arrangement made that they should live together? He took Winchester House at Staines, I believe, in February.

## "She Was so Lonely."

"Did you not ask your daughter what she was doing with this man? Yes, I told her she had no right to do so. Witness further stated that her daughter told her she was going to Staines to live with Mr. Buchholz, and witness refused to go with her, but went a month afterwards. Why did you change your mind? Because she came and told me she was so lonely. You knew what was going on? To a certain extent. And I was not at all at it? No, sir. You were in the house? Yes, but I was always in the house. Were you not very disgusted with it all? Yes, I was. And yet you stayed on? She said she would come away if I stayed a little longer. She adopted her sister's baby. That was what brought me to her. Mr. Buchholz knew I was there as nurse. Witness further explained that Mr. Buchholz found out about witness being Mrs. Power's mother through a letter she sent him after she left them about a fortnight ago. Why did you leave? Because I would not stay any longer, and I made my daughter come away with me.

## The Quarrel.

Has your daughter always led a respectable life? Yes, up to the time she met this man. Her daughter, witness further stated, was communicating with her husband all the time. Witness did not write and tell her daughter's husband about what was going on, because she never knew his address. She had tried to find out, but her daughter always tore up her letters when she received them. She was deceiving her husband all the time. Her daughter came to Alexandra Mansions after leaving Staines, that was a fortnight ago. Witness mounted upon her leaving, and told her daughter that unless she did leave Mr. Buchholz she would never acknowledge her again as her child. You say that after that she left him? Yes, she did. Why did you not tell her that when she started to live with him? I told her that last night. The witness proceeded to say that last Sunday week Mr. Buchholz came to them at Alexandra Mansions in the afternoon. Witness opened the door, and he asked her if Mrs. Power lived there. Witness said yes, and Mr. Buchholz walked into the house. Her daughter said to her, "What do you want?" and he said, "I want to see you." He was not angry. He said he had been all over London to find her. He was quite calm. Her daughter told him he would not return again to Staines. He begged her to return with him, and she said she would not. Were they quarrelling over it? Yes. Did he tell him why she would not return with him? She told him he had made her very unhappy. Did he ask what your daughter meant? I did not hear any more. How did they part? Very good friends as far as I know.

## Husband Expected Home.

What made them agree to come together again? He spoke to my daughter through the phone and asked her if she would go to Staines with him on the Thursday evening to see the maid and close up the house, and he would come round and see her, and she said she would. Was her husband expected home? Yes, in about three months' time. Did Mr. Buchholz know that? Yes, I am quite sure. Was he jealous of

the husband? He was jealous of everyone, even the baby, if my daughter kissed it. He seemed jealous of everyone who spoke to my daughter. Witness added that on Thursday night when her daughter and Buchholz left for Staines they were on good terms. She was to have come back on the Friday morning.

## Previously Married.

The coroner: Was your daughter afraid of Buchholz, knowing as she did of his jealous disposition? No. Witness denied that there was anyone but herself, her daughter, and Buchholz present at the interview at her flat in Alexandra Mansions. Her daughter, she said, had been with her private nurse. Had your daughter ever been married before? Yes, (Witness did not say to whom). After witness had gone to her seat, the coroner turned to her and said that a note had been found in which there was a reference to a person named "Rolly." He asked if she would say who that was. Witness replied that it was a pet name which the deceased man gave her.

## The Servant's Story.

Louisa Sparkes, of Harnow Villas, Staines, the servant at Winchester House, said she only worked in the house during the day time. Mr. Buchholz and Mrs. Power seemed very happy, and latterly they quarrelled. The first quarrel was about a month ago, but she did not know what it was about. Buchholz was in drink. Witness went on to speak of the morning of the tragedy, saying that as she went into the house, she saw some papers on the doorstep, but she took no notice. Coroner: On the Thursday night at dinner was he drunk when you left? Yes. Witness said that on the doorstep was found a piece of paper bearing the words, "Don't come in drawing-room. Advise police instead." She continued: I did not take any notice, but looked into all the rooms. I went into the drawing-room twice. The last time I went behind the screen and saw my mistress. Was the screen put all round her? It was as usual. Had it been deliberately put round her to hide her? No, sir. Witness said it was not a high screen, and there was a piano behind it, which Mrs. Power was in the habit of playing after dinner in the evening. From the appearance of the body witness thought her mistress had fallen from a stool. Witness did not know where Mr. Buchholz was. She was frightened and ran for the police. Witness said that before leaving the house on the Thursday night they had asked her to prepare breakfast early on the following morning as they were going to catch the train to London.

## Sent Out for Champagne.

Foreman: Why did you not take notice of the paper? I did not do so because I knew that he had been the worse for drink. He did things like that when he was the worse for drink. Witness added that on the Thursday night when her mistress came home he asked what she had in the house to drink. She replied only ale, and she was thereupon sent out for three pint bottles of champagne, which were consumed at dinner-time. P.S. 63 T proved finding a number of addresses and pieces of paper. On one long strip of paper were the words, "Don't lie." On another piece of paper was written: "Dear Mrs. Rolly, now of Alexandra Mansions. All your doing; many thanks. WILLIAM BUCHHOLZ."

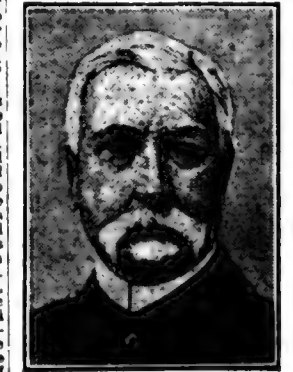
A letter addressed to the coroner was as follows: "Dear Sir—It is hard lines, but lies never do any good. I am leaving this world, and all I can do is don't trust any woman. Your reputation among us City people is so great that I ask you as my last request to keep it out of the paper. Yours, with very great respect, WILLIAM BUCHHOLZ."

On a piece of paper over the woman's head was written, "I loved her too much." On the bath, written in blue pencil, were the words: "Rolly is the fault of it all. Curse her. It is hard, poor lassie. It is not hard for oneself, only for those we leave behind." WILLIAM BUCHHOLZ.

Another piece of paper bore the words: "Don't lie. I loved her too much." The jury found that Mrs. Power was lawfully murdered by William Buchholz, but he himself committed suicide during a state of temporary insanity. "Temporary insanity!" said the coroner, expressing surprise. "Anyhow, it is your verdict, gentlemen, and I suppose I should not comment upon it." The Foreman: Yes, sir. We consider no man is sane when he takes his life.

## SIR REDVERS BULLER REPORTED SERIOUSLY ILL IN DEVON.

Gen. Sir R. Buller is reported to be seriously ill at his residence, Downe, near Crediton, Devon. The nature of his complaint is believed to be acute jaundice. Sir T. Barlow, who is in



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attendance on him, has advised an operation. Sir Redvers, however, has up to the present refused his consent. The distinguished general, who was born in 1839, entered the 60th Rifles at the age of 19, and has seen much active service in Africa and China. He obtained the V.C. for his gallantry in the Zulu war of 1879. It will be remembered that he served in the Boer war first as General Commanding the Force, and afterwards as General Officer Commanding in Natal. He has also held many important posts at home.

## A MOTHER AT 14.

SHOCKING STORY OF DEPRAVITY.

At the Barnstaple Borough Sessions, Wm. Harding, aged 18, of Lower Maudlin-st., Barnstaple, was committed by Rose Knill, aged 14, also of Lower Maudlin-st., to the custody of the police, to show cause, etc.—Mr. Seldon (the plaintiff) said a female child was born on Feb. 26 last, and the girl would not be 13 years of age until June 29. Proceedings were taken in that court in November last by the N.S.P.C.C. under the Criminal Law Amendment Act, the defence then set up by the boy (defendant) being that he believed the girl was over 16 years of age. The magistrates then sitting declined to commit defendant. The girl would state that in November, 1896, defendant was first intimate with her, and that went on pretty frequently until July 27, 1907—a period of seven months. In October last the girl went to a situation in Exeter, but her mistress discovering her condition, had her examined by a doctor, and she was subsequently sent home to Barnstaple. The same night that she came home, in consequence of a conversation she had with her mother, the latter told defendant Harding, who, in the presence of the girl, her father, and a relative named Widger, admitted eventually that he had been intimate with the girl, but alleged that others had as well as himself. Defendant mentioned a name of one of the boys in question, but the latter denied all knowledge of the matter.

## Who is it Like?

When informed of this defendant, on hearing the mother say she should put her daughter in the Union, told her to wait until the child was born, and see who it is like. He asked that an order, if made, should not be based on the present earnings of the lad, who was not yet out of his time, but that some regard should be paid to his future earnings. Rose Knill, giving evidence, said she had known defendant all her life-time, he living in the same street and being in the habit of coming to her father's house every week. Asked by Mr. Seldon how many times she had been intimate with defendant, she replied: "Several; more than ten." She had never been intimate with any other fellows.—Mrs. Sarah Knill, mother of the girl, said Harding was a frequent visitor to the house, and she never knew that there was anything



GEORGE BAILY AND HIS BRIDE [Illustration Bureau.]

wrong going on between them. Harding had "owned he had been with the girl several times," and alleged other fellows had as well as himself, mentioning the name of one boy, who, however, had denied it.—Mr. Seldon: Have you seen Harding at your house at any time in the evening?—Mrs. Knill: Yes, sir, several times, but I never had any suspicions of anything being wrong.—Mr. Widger and Mr. Knill (the father) bore out the fact that the boy had admitted he had had connections with the girl.

## The Defence.

—Mr. Bowson (for the defence) submitted that there had been no corroboration of material fact which entitled complainant to an order being made. The boy would absolutely deny that he had been intimate with the girl since June last year 12 months.—Defendant bore out in detail his advocate's statement. He admitted having been intimate with the girl previous to that time on two occasions, in the evening when the girl's father and mother were out shopping.—The bench, after a lengthy retirement, ordered defendant to pay 2s. 6d. a week.—Mr. Bowson intimated an appeal would probably be made. The boy, who seemed in a state of great excitement, headily shouted that "it is not my child and I am not going to pay for it."

## THAW'S FIGHT FOR LIBERTY.

Mr. Harry K. Thaw has adopted independent measures for his release from the Matteawan lunatic asylum. Through his new attorney, Mr. Jas. Graham, Mr. Thaw applied for a writ of habeas corpus, which Justice Morshauer ordered to be served on the superintendent of the Matteawan asylum, calling for the production of Mr. Thaw before the Supreme Court at Poughkeepsie on May 8, so that inquiry may be made as to the cause of his detention in a lunatic asylum. It appears that Mr. Thaw, with remarkable cunning, foresaw the unwillingness of his relatives to have him released, and succeeded in securing unknown to his lawyers, a sum of £30,000, which he now proposes to employ in a determined fight for liberty.

## A MIDNIGHT VISIT.

CLERIC AND ALLEGED BURGLAR.

At the Lambeth Police Court Albert Schofield, 28, who described himself as a commission agent and gave an address at Nottingham, was charged, before Mr. Francis, with burglariously breaking and entering the dwelling house of the Rev. Cyril Child, 43, St. Agnes-place, Kensington Park, with intent to commit a felony.—Prosecutor stated that about half-past two o'clock that morning he was awakened by the ringing of an electric alarm which he had fitted to his residence. He went downstairs and found prisoner in the kitchen.—The clerk (Mr. P. Martin): What was he doing? He was standing up by the wall near the door. I took him upstairs, opened the street door, called a constable, and gave him into custody.—Was anything missing? Nothing, so far as I have been able to ascertain.—Mr. Francis: What did you say to him and what did he say to you when you found him? I said: "What are you doing here?"

or something to that effect, and he said something about being tired of walking about.—Answering further questions, prosecutor said prisoner seemed half asleep, and sat down in the hall while the constable was being called.—P.C. Richards stated that when given into his custody prisoner exclaimed: "Anyone would think I had done a burglary." Three keys were found upon him.—Det.-Sgt. Hoarn said he examined the premises, and found that an entrance had been effected by breaking the scullery window. A pane of glass was broken just above the meeting of the two sashes, and the fragments had fallen inside. A thumb-nail securing the sashes had been removed.—Mr. Francis asked prisoner whether he had any defence to offer.—Prisoner: There was no one more surprised than myself at being there.—Mr. Francis intimated to prisoner that he would be committed for trial, but directed a formal remand in order to carry the case over the next session.

## A BRIDE'S SURPRISE.

HUSBAND ARRESTED ON THE HONEYMOON.

Geo. Baily, alias Geo. Wright Cox, aged about 22, was charged at Northampton with embezzling £150 from the Northampton Post Office Savings

## THE DRUG HABIT.

SUICIDE OF A SHIP-OWNER'S WIDOW.

Last night, Dr. Taylor, the East Surrey coroner, held an inquest at Richmond on Mrs. Catherine M. M. Howard, 28, of 75, Onslow-road, Richmond-hill, Richmond, widow of Mr. C. Howard, a well-known ship-owner. The evidence showed that deceased had been addicted to the drug habit for some time past, and had on one occasion taken a quantity of veronal. On the death of her husband she was left in an affluent position, but of late, however, she had been anxious about her financial position. She had been suffering from an internal trouble, and had been depressed so much so that on one occasion she told her medical attendant she thought she would do away with herself. On Wednesday morning she was found standing in front of the washstand in her bedroom vomiting, and it subsequently transpired she had taken a quantity of perchloride of mercury. Her medical attendant was immediately summoned, but she died on the following morning. Veronal, suicide during temporary insanity.

## OILING THE ENGINE.

JURY AND DANGEROUS RAILWAY WORK.

Last night an inquest was held at Guildford on Geo. West, a young railway fireman, who died in the local hospital from injuries received while oiling his engine at the Guildford Station, on the 14th inst. Ely, during the snow-storm on Tanti-hay night. Shunting operations were in progress at the time, and one of the coaches collided with the engine while West was beneath. When extracted he was shockingly injured. The jury returned a verdict of death from misadventure, and added a rider to the effect that when such dangerous work was being performed a watchman should be present or something done to denote that a man was underneath the engine.

## HAMSTEAD DISASTER.

YORKSHIRE HERO CONGRATULATED BY COMMISSIONER.

Yesterday was concluded the Home Office inquiry into the Hamstead colliery disaster. Mr. Waterhouse, the manager of the mine, said that although the rescuers found two horses alive in the workings on the following day, he believed all the men were dead within an hour of ignition. The mine officials stated that they were replacing the burned stags with a fire-proof erection, and would exercise greater care in future. In regard to the candle-box, they could not do without candles. Whittingham, the Yorkshire hero, and a member of the Normanton rescue party, who had to abandon Welsh said that when men were not well they consumed oxygen from respirators more quickly than men in perfect health.

"I WOULD HAVE MET YOU"—On the witness stand the story of his gallant attempt to rescue the men, the Commissioner shook him by the hand, saying: "I must congratulate you on the way you gave your evidence, and I am proud to have met you." There were hearty cheers in court. After other evidence the inquiry was concluded.

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